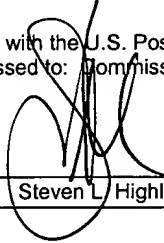




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For: SELECTION OF PEPTIDES WITH
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Group Art Unit: 1639

Examiner: Bennett M. Celsa

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED MARCH 19, 2004

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Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 19, 2004 for which the date for response was April 19, 2004.

A request for a one-month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with the required fee. This one-month extension will bring the due date to May 19, 2004, which is within the six-month statutory period. Should such request or fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/UTSD:566US/SLH.

In response to the restriction requirement which the Examiner imposed, Applicant elects, without traverse, to prosecute claims 1-15, 22-26 and 29-30, *i.e.*, the Group I claims.

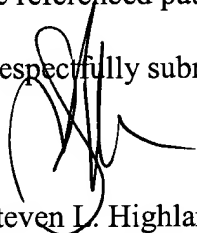
In response to the election of species, applicants make the following elections:

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| A. | Target Peptide: | (ICS) | (claims 1-15, 22, 23, 29, 30;
claims 1-15, 22, 29 and 30 are
generic) |
| B. | 1 st DNA Binding Domain: | (lambda repressor) | (claims 1-15, 22-26, 29 and 30;
claims 1-4, 6-15, 22-26, 29 and 30
are generic) |
| C. | Library Encoded Peptide: | LEBP | (claims 1-15, 22-26, 29 and 30; all
claims 1-15, 22-26, 29 and 30 are
generic) |
| D. | 2 nd DNA Binding Domian: | (lambda repressor) | (claims 1-15, 22-26, 29 and 30;
claims 1-4, 6-15, 22-26, 29 and 30
are generic) |
| E. | Indicator Polypeptide: | (Bgal) | (claims 1-6, 7-15, 22-26, 29, 30;
claims 1-6, 8-15, 22-26, 29, 30 are
generic) |
| F. | Prokaryotic Operator Region: | (lacZ operator) | (claims 1-15, 22-26, 29 and 30;
claims 1-4, 6-15, 22-26, 29 and 30
are generic) |
| G. | 3 rd Peptide: | ? | ? |
| H. | Stabilizing Interaction: | (cross-linking) | (claims 1-15, 22-26, 29 and 30;
claims 1-15, 22-26, 29 and 30 are
generic) |

Applicants believe an election for G, third peptide, is not required as the elected claims do not recite such an element.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-3184 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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